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Sayaka Osanami Törngren is currently a Researcher in the Department of Global Political Studies at Malmö University's Research Institute of Migration, Diversity and Welfare (MIM). She received her Ph.D. in Ethnic and Migration Studies from Linköping University, with a dissertation titled, "Love ain't got no color? Attitude toward interracial marriage in Sweden."

Before, she finished her Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Studies in Japan and completed her study with a Master in International Migration and Ethnic Studies at the Malmö University.

She is representing the National Integration Evaluation Mechanism (NIEM) Project, which is co-financed by the EU Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and aims to monitor and improve the success of refugee integration over six years in 15 EU member states. To do so, NIEM is developing sustainable data collection methods, using a set of various indicators ranging from initial reception up to housing and language learning.

Within each strand, NIEM assesses integration policy, administrative and financial outputs, and outcomes. It also calls for the participation of different government stakeholders, and has partnered with organizations such as France Terre d'Asile and the Barcelona Centre for International Affairs throughout its 15 member countries.

To turn the results and evidence of NIEM into tangible and concrete improvements of integration of beneficiaries of international protection in the partner countries, each project partner establishes national coalitions.

At the seminar, Sayaka will be addressing the major patterns of integrative success that her work has identified so far between member states, along with how NIEM can directly use this information to improve policy initiatives in urban areas.

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